

GERMANS FAR
FROM VICTORY
NEAR VERDUN

Great Battle Swings Into 20th
Day With Kaiser's Men
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tillery Attacks.

FIGHT IS NOW RAGING
AT DEAD MAN'S HILL

Ruthless Tactics of Crown
Prince Turn Meuse Val-
ley Into a Bloody
Shambles.

International News Service:
PARIS, March 11.—When the
great battle of Verdun swung into
the 20th day of its existence today
the Germans were still far from
victory, although they are delivering
savage artillery attacks on both
sides of the Meuse river in an ef-
fort to dislodge the French from Le
Mort Homme (dead man's hill) and
Fort de Vaux.

French military experts declare
that the slight advance by the Ger-
mans on Friday in Corbeaux forest
must be regarded as a glaring piece
of tactical folly when the enormous
price is taken into consideration. It
is estimated that the Germans lost
10,000 men in the fighting in Cor-
beaux woods and elsewhere on Fri-
day.

One of the facts that stand out,
as regards the operations around
Verdun on Friday is the fury and
magnitude of the assault of the Ger-
mans against Corbeaux forest. The
German crown prince had been us-
ing from 5,000 to 6,000 men in an
effort to dislodge the French from
the forest without success. Finally
in desperation he launched a colos-
sal attack with 25,000 of his best
troops against the French lines af-
ter a violent bombardment of six
hours.

The most that this enormous force
was able to accomplish in the case
of the French was to force them to
opposing it was an advance of from
200 to 500 yards into the French
lines along a front of less than a
mile.

The defense of Corbeaux wood,
which guards the flank of the
French position on Goose hill, was
directed by Gen. Castelnau, the
French chief-of-staff, and Gen.
Petain.

The German losses were enormous
and all night long trains, the cars
of which were painted a bright red,
sped back toward interior Germany
laden with nude corpses of soldiers
for cremation.

The Temps, basing the statement
upon information from a semi-offi-
cial source, indicates that the Ger-
man losses have averaged 10,000 a
day during the 20 days of the bat-
tle.

The ruthless tactics of the crown
prince has turned the Meuse valley
into a bloody shambles. French
military men speak of the German
tactics as "mere butchery" of men.

"Let the good work of the French
troops continue," writes Lieut. Col.
Roussel, one of the foremost French
military critics. "Our adversary has
been pushed to the extreme disre-
gard of human life by stern neces-
sity. Our tactics permit of no such
fruitful butchery. We throw into
battle only such forces as are neces-
sary to withstand the shock, keeping
reserved intact legions which will
sweep forward at final victory. In
our prudent opposition to the crown
prince's maniacal fury I see the con-
summation of our highest hopes."

Many French wounded arrived
from the battlefield throughout the
night. They declared that the
French soldiers on the firing line
are confident and that the morale of
the army has not been shaken.

German troops renewed their
violent assaults on the Verdun front
west of the Meuse during the night.
They were able to gain some ground
in the opening assaults, but an im-
mediate counter attack by the
French drove them back.

This official information is given
in the war office communiqué issued
this afternoon, which also states
that the Germans have redoubled
their efforts on the east bank of the
Meuse between Vaux and the ridge
nearby. Fort de Vaux was also
bombarded.

The text of the official commu-
nique follows:

"After bombarding our positions
between Tonnay and Berry-a-Bac,
north of the Aisne, for several hours
yesterday the German debauched
the salients which form our line at Bois
des Buttes. After a very sharp
combat we drove the enemy from the
section west of the forest which he
had succeeded in occupying.
"West of the Meuse the Germans
launched during the night a strong
attack southeast of Bethincourt
against our trenches along the road
from Bethincourt to Chattancourt.
An immediate counter attack again

UNITED STATES PREPARES
TO CONSERVE FOOD

Government Feels Nation Could
Rely on No One For Aid
In Case of War.

International News Service:
WASHINGTON, March 11.—The
United States, for the first time in
its history, is actively preparing to
conserve the nation's food supplies.
It was learned today. To this end
a vigorous propaganda conducted
by various government departments
shortly will be launched.

Farmers will be urged to aban-
don to a greater or lesser extent the
raising of cotton and other staple
products and to use the ground for
the production of food crops.

The government's action, it was
said by a high official today, has
been decided on after an extensive
study of conditions brought about
by the European war. With the re-
lations between this country and
several nations straining towards
the breaking point, it was felt that
some action looking to internal pre-
paredness should be taken. The ad-
ministration feels, it was said,
that in the event of war with any
of the first class powers of the
world, this government can count on
no nation to aid it.

SOUTH BENDERS BACK
FROM TOLEDO MEETING

Put in Strong Bid For Bowling
Tourney in 1918 and Get
Encouragement.

South Bend's bowling delegation
headed by Albert V. Weigle, business
manager of the Chamber of Com-
merce, returned Saturday morning
from Toledo where they attended the
annual meeting of the American
bowling congress. They were in at-
tendance to extend an invitation to
the congress to come to South Bend
in 1918 to hold the annual tourney
here.

F. L. Dennis talked in behalf of
the South Bend delegates Friday
night. He was followed by Frank
Pasodoloup of Chicago, who has
been treasurer of the organization
for the last 12 years, and by Abe L.
Langtry, who has been secretary for
the same length of time. Both men
favored bringing the meet to South
Bend because of what this city has
done for its size, and the fact that
for its size, this city has more
bowling teams than any in the
country.

Delegations from Buffalo, Peoria,
Ill., and St. Louis put in bids for
the national meet in 1918. The 1917
tourney goes to Grand Rapids.

The local delegation was gratified
at the election of Robert Schnell to
membership on the executive com-
mittee. Following are the men who
assisted in boosting the city for the
1918 tournament:
Messrs. Dennis, Burkhardt, Achen-
bach, Gentile, Waters, Bardeen, Hen-
nings, Robinson and Fred Vergin.

DENTISTS TO BE HOSTS
TO THE PHYSICIANS

Will Give Dinner at Oliver
Monday Evening—Address
by Dr. W. H. Logan.

Members of the St. Joseph County
Medical association will be the guests
of the St. Joseph County Dental so-
ciety at a dinner at the Oliver hotel
at 8 o'clock Monday evening. Dr.
William H. G. Logan of Chicago will
give an illustrated lecture on "Points
in Diagnosis of the Mouth That Are of
Interest to the Medical and Dental
Professions." Following this talk
both the physicians and dentists will
take part in a discussion of the sub-
ject.

Eighty physicians from all over
the county have been invited by the
dentists to attend the dinner. An
invitation has also been extended to
150 dentists living outside the city.

Dr. Logan is an oral surgeon of
national reputation and holds the
chair of oral pathology and surgery
at the Chicago Dental college. His
talk will include discussions of in-
fections of the maxillary sinus and
tri-facial neuralgia. Officers of the
dental society are: Dr. J. C. Laven-
dore, president; Dr. R. F. Lucas,
vice president; Dr. Thomas Walsh,
secretary; and Dr. L. M. Lapierre,
treasurer. Members of the program
committee are Dr. John A. Stoeck-
ley, Dr. Fredrick L. Axtell and Fred
W. McCallum.

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for insertion in the
Sunday News-Times
will be accepted for classi-
fication until 9 p. m. to-
night, try to get them all
in this office by

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and ask for an ad-taker.

Mexican Line and Man Who Crossed it



The map shows the Mexican boundary and the position of Columbus, the American town raided by Villa, in relation to other important points on the frontier. Below (at the left) is Col. Herbert J. Sloum, commander of the thirteenth U. S. cavalry, who pursued the Mexican bandits into their own country. At the right is Gen. Frederick Funston, in charge of all the American armed forces on the international border.

HENRY G. DAVIS
IS DEAD AT 93

Alton B. Parker's Running
Mate in 1904 Succumbs
to Attack of Grip.

International News Service:
WASHINGTON, March 11.—
Henry Gassaway Davis, former
United States senator from West
Virginia and democratic candidate
for vice president in 1904, died at
his home here early today. He was
93 years old. Death resulted from
an attack of grip complicated by in-
firmities of old age.

The funeral of Mr. Davis will
probably be held at Elkins, W. Va.,
his home for many years. While
definite arrangements have not been
completed it was stated that the
funeral probably would take place
tomorrow or Monday.

Henry Gassaway Davis' remark-
able career is a distinct encourag-
ement to the engineers who believe
men should live in health a century.
When he ran for the vice presi-
dency, the oldest candidate ever
known for that office, there was
some criticism on this score. If
Mr. Davis had been elected, the end
of his term would have found him
strong mentally and physically.
and, indeed, a second and even third
term of office would have passed
with his mind and body still un-
dermined.

Mr. Davis was born in Baltimore,
Nov. 16, 1822, and received a
meager education in public schools.
At a very early age he was hard at
work. He was the eldest of five
children, and the death of his father,
Caleb Davis, made him the family
breadwinner.

While the younger children con-
tinued in school, he toiled with his
hands, and later with his brains, to
support them. At 19 he was only a
farm hand on a Maryland planta-
tion. A few years later he had ad-
vanced to a brakeman on the primi-
tive freight train of that time. His
rise in railroad was rapid. He was
soon master of transportation and
is said to have been the first man
to risk sending out trains between
Baltimore and Cumberland at night.

Becomes Merchant.
Young Davis saved his money
and became a merchant and coal
land operator. His many ventures
prospered exceedingly. His coal
lands rose to almost fabulous values.

He was also successful as a rail-
road builder. Two of his lines were
the West Virginia Central & Pitts-
burgh railway, which he sold to the
Wabash in 1902, and the Coal & Coke
railway of West Virginia.

As far back as 1865, the year the
civil war ended, he entered public
life. He was a member of the house
of delegates of the newly created
loyal state carved out of seceding
Virginia. He was a member of the
West Virginia senate in 1868-71
and then the commonwealth sent
him to the United States senate for

PROGRESS
of the War

International News Service:
WASHINGTON, March 11.—
The Norwegian bark Silius,
which was sunk on the night of
March 9 off Havre, France, was
torpedoed without warning, ac-
cording to a cable received at
the state department today from
American Consul Osborne at
Havre, France. There were nine
Americans aboard the Silius. All
were saved. Osborne also con-
firmed the sinking of the steam-
er Louisiana by a submarine.

Officials regard the sinking of
the Silius as extremely serious,
because of its possibilities. They
admit that the sinking of such a
vessel without warning when
there were Americans on board
is in direct defiance of the stand
taken by this government.
It was officially stated that a
full and complete investigation
of the circumstances of the at-
tack will be made at once.

International News Service:
LONDON, March 11.—Rou-
mania has seized 50,000 wagons
of cereals, which had been sold
to Germany, according to the
Rome News Service today.

This grain is to be used by the
Roumanian army. This grain
was part of 100,000 wagons of
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MARTIAL DIFFICULTIES OF
STRUZEWSKI SETTLED

The marital difficulties of John
and Marie Struzewski, 435 S. Lin-
coln st., have been settled.

A week ago Marie charged her
husband with wife desertion. She
alleged that he did not properly pro-
vide for her. She admitted then that
he gave her his allowance each
week, and she permitted him 35 to
50 cents a week spending money,
"enough for any married man."

Judge Herbert D. Warner held
that she was right. He was informed
that the couple was now living
together and directed that the case
be dismissed.

CONVENTION MUST
DECIDE CONTEST

Second Choice Votes Not Suf-
ficient to Nominate New
For Senator.

International News Service:
INDIANAPOLIS, March 11.—Sec-
ond choice votes in the state-wide
primary of last Tuesday will not be
sufficient to nominate Harry S. New
of Indianapolis, as republican can-
didate for United States senator.
This was evident today when all
but six precincts of the state had
been heard from on first choice
votes and one-fourth of the state had
been heard from on the second
choice. The first choice votes show
New leading James E. Watson by
a plurality of 8,000. The second
choice votes indicate that Watson
and New are running even. So even
should New get an even split in
the second choice votes he would
not have a majority over Watson.

The contest will likely go to the
state republican convention in April.
Because of the confusion in count-
ing the second choice votes in many
counties of the state it was not
known today when the official re-
turns would be complete. Many
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FUNSTON WILL
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WITHIN DAY

U. S. General, Opposed to Any
Delay Not Absolutely Nec-
essary, Ready to Ad-
vance Against Villa.

FEAR FOR SAFETY OF
AMERICANS ON TRAIN

Telegraph Communication is
Cut, Preventing Warning
Being Sent to Party
Enroute to Juarez.

International News Service:
EL PASO, Texas, March 11.—
Maj. Gen. Frederick Funston is ex-
pected to reach the border within 24
hours and his arrival probably will
be the signal for the advance of
American troops into Mexico to take
Francisco Villa, dead or alive. Fun-
ston is known to be opposed to any
delay that is absolutely unnecessary.

In the meantime conditions of ac-
tual warfare prevail here. The mili-
tary authorities are taking into cus-
tody adherents of Villa who might
try to convey to the bandit infor-
mation as to the plans of the American
troops. The round-up of former
Villa officers and staunch support-
ers began shortly after midnight
when Gen. Pablo Luna, formerly a
member of Villa's bodyguard, was
apprehended at the residence of
Gen. Banda.

Banda was also arrested when he
protested against the removal of
Luna.

Luna, Gomez, Isidro Luna and
Canuto Loba, described as ex-offi-
cers of Villa's army, were also
seized.

Gen. Villa in Chihuahua.
Carranza, commander of the
Carranza garrison at Juarez, re-
ceived word at midnight that Villa
was at La Ascension, Chihuahua,
with a large force of men. It was
suspected that Villa was aiming to
strike the railroad between Casas
Grandes and Juarez, with the hope
of capturing 500 Mormons who had
stayed at Casas Grandes when other
Americans left northern Mexico.

That these Americans will be killed
if captured by Villa, no one
doubts.

He has proclaimed his intention of
slaughtering every citizen of the
United States who falls into his
hands.

With Villa and his bandit raiders
at La Ascension, several miles from
the Northwestern railroad line, gra-
dually increasing the number of
Americans who have been killed and
at the same time stating that the de-
facto Mexican government and the
military forces at its command would
do all in its power to stamp out the
bandits.

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the border during the 48 hours that
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This message stated that Mexican
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cattle near Osborne Junction, but
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the train the bodies of the American
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FIRE BURNS FACTORIES.

International News Service:
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The tobacco rehandling plant of
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are en route to Juarez from Chihua-
hua City, but they will reach the
border too late to entrain over the
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MRS. VILLA CALLS MOVE
"PLOT TO KILL HUSBAND"

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LOS ANGELES, Calif., March 11.—
"It's a plot to kill my husband,"
cried Mrs. Francisco Villa, 18-year-
old wife of the Mexican leader,
whose faith in her husband is un-
shaken. "The papers lie. I don't
believe my husband would harm an
American. He is being tricked by
his enemies. He is a brave man
and some day will be president of
Mexico."

Mrs. Villa was red-eyed from
weeping and as she talked she clasped
her baby daughter in her arms.

J. P. MORGAN LEAVES FOR
NEW YORK FROM LONDON

International News Service:
LONDON, March 11.—J. Pierpont
Morgan left here at noon today for
Liverpool to sail for New York on
the liner Philadelphia. A number
of government officials were at the
Euston station to bid farewell to the
American financier.

Mr. Morgan's passage on the
Philadelphia had been booked se-
cretly and every effort was made to
prevent the news of his departure
from becoming known. His name
did not appear on the passenger list.

CARRANZA MAY
JOIN IN SEARCH

Fear of Opposition to U. S. by
First Chief is Gradually
Being Dissipated.

International News Service:
COLUMBUS, N. M., March 11.—
Fear that Venustiano Carranza, head
of the de facto Mexican government,
would oppose the invasion of Mexico
by American troops pursuing Gen.
Francisco Villa, and the bandits
who attacked Columbus Thursday
morning, were lessened today by re-
ports that Carranza had pledged
his cooperation in the military opera-
tions that have as their aim the
complete crushing of the Villistas.

Advices reaching United States
military officers early in the day
were to the effect that Carranza had
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U.S. PLANS TO
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Necessity For Hasty Action
Arises From Fear That
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Mountain Fastnesses.

LACK OF AVIATORS TO
BE SERIOUS HANDICAP

Air Scouts Would be of Great
Assistance in Locating
Mexican Outlaw Gang
in Short Time.

International News Service:
WASHINGTON, March 11.—The
campaign to "get Villa" was well
under way today, according to the
high officials of the war department.
They refused to permit publication
of what has been done, but it was
generally accepted that the first cav-
alry brigade, Brig. Gen. Parker
commanding, the second cavalry
brigade, Col. George A. Bled com-
manding, and other units already
are on the move.

Because the entire border is
honeycombed with spies, all details
regarding operations will be held up.
This is at the direct command of
Maj. Gen. Frederick Funston, who
has explained that he must strike
hard and secretly if Villa is to be
eliminated from the situation.